

***IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE***

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Title: BUFFERING METHOD AND  
APPARATUS FOR  
PROCESSING DIGITAL  
COMMUNICATION SIGNALS  
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**REPLY ACCOMPANYING  
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated March 21, 2008, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Applicant has enclosed with this amendment a Petition for Extension of Time to make this response timely.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: